

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 1, line 10 as follows:

To impart an electrical conductivity to the transfer belt for use in the copying machine, the printer, and the like, the following two methods are conventionally used: In one of them, an electroconductive rubber containing a conductive filler is used for the transfer belt. In the other of them, an ionic-conductive rubber such as urethane rubber, acrylonitrile butadiene rubber (NBR), and ~~epichlorohydrin~~ epichlorohydrin rubber is used for the transfer belt.